GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SEA WATER FOR DRINKING
PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL;PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps to make sea water usable for drinking in Saurasthra/Kutch region of Gujarat:

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this water is likely to be made available for drinking in the region?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL)

(a) (b) & (c) The drinking water supply is a State subject and all schemes are implemented by the State Governments. Government of India supports the State Government financially by providing funds under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). State Government have approved 12 and installed 11 desalination Plants.